

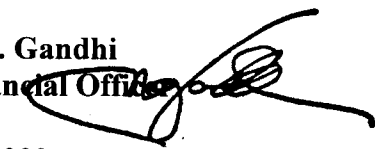
**Government of the District of Columbia
Office of the Chief Financial Officer**



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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Vincent C. Gray
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: April 30, 2009

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “African-American Civil War Memorial
Freedom Foundation Inc., Museum Funding Authorization Act of
2009”

REFERENCE: Bill Number 18-82 – As Introduced

Conclusion

Funds are not sufficient in the proposed FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation. Implementation of the proposed legislation would require an additional annual amount of \$555,000 from local sources. The fiscal impact would be \$555,000 in FY 2010 and \$2,220,000 over the FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial planning period.

Background

The proposed bill would authorize funding to the African American Civil War Memorial Freedom Foundation, which operates the Civil War Memorial Museum. The \$555,000 annual funds would need to be added to the DC Public Library (DCPL) budget from local sources, and then be transferred to the Civil War Memorial Museum (Museum) to fund a collaborative effort between DCPL and the Museum to make the Museum's collections available to the public, to promote access to historical memorabilia and research material in the Museum, to extend interlibrary lender privileges to DCPL patrons, and to deliver special programs that preserve cultural heritage through oral histories and preservation programs. In particular, the funding will be used to support the fixed costs of the programs, staffing, cataloging, and maintenance of the Museum's rare books collection.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are not sufficient in the proposed FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation.

The proposed legislation would require \$555,000 in FY 2010 and \$2,220,000 over the FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial planning period. Sufficient funds for this proposal have not been included in the budget and financial plan for DCPL, and thus these amounts would have to be added to the current local funds appropriation request for the legislation to be implemented. The table below summarizes the impact of this additional funding on the budget and financial plan.

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill 18-82 "African-American Civil War Memorial Freedom Foundation Inc., Museum Funding Authorization Act of 2009" FY 2010 – FY 2013					
	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	4 Year Total
Cost of Funding to the Museum (negative fiscal impact)	\$555,000	\$555,000	\$555,000	\$555,000	\$2,220,000